NOTICE OF PROPOSED WATER POLLUTION CONTROL PERMIT FOR HILO JUDICIARY COMPLEX - DEMOLITION OF KAIKO'O MALL HILO, HAWAII

NPDES PERMIT NO. HI S000024

04-CW-PW-05

January 16, 2004

The State Department of Health ("DOH"), tentatively proposes to issue a National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System ("NPDES") permit to discharge storm water runoff from the Hilo Judiciary Complex - Demolition of Kaiko`o Mall ("Project") to receiving State waters, subject to special conditions to:

DEPARTMENT OF ACCOUNTING AND GENERAL SERVICES

The proposed draft permit will expire on **December 31, 2005.**

The proposed Project is for the demolition of a portion of Kaikoʻo Mall located at 777 Kilauea Avenue on the Island of Hawaii, Tax Map Key: 2-2-015:033 & 076 . The project involves removal of asbestos-containing and other possible hazardous materials prior to demolition, termination of water, sewer, gas and electrical service connections, removal of existing parking lot trees and lights and repair of the adjoining County of Hawaii / former J.C. Penney department store building (including carpentry, metal roofing and flashing, painting, etc.). A separate portion of the mall (formerly J.C. Penney), which is currently occupied by various County of Hawaii agencies, will remain.

Storm water runoff associated with demolition activities from the Project is permitted to discharge to the receiving state water named Waiakea Pond after implementation of Best Management Practices. The discharge enters State waters at the following coordinates: Latitude 19°43'13"N, Longitude 155°04'36"W and Latitude 19°42'59"N, Longitude 155°04'34"W.

The receiving water is classified by the DOH as Class 1, Inland Water. The objective of Class 1 waters is to remain in their natural state as nearly as possible with an absolute minimum of pollution from any human-caused source. To the extent practicable, the wilderness character of these areas shall be protected.

Persons wishing to comment upon or object to the proposed NPDES permit or to request a public hearing, should submit their comments or requests in writing no later than 30 days after the date of this notice, either in person or by mail, to:

Office Address:

Clean Water Branch Environmental Management Division State Department of Health 919 Ala Moana Boulevard Room 301 Honolulu, HI 96814-4920

Mailing Address:

Clean Water Branch Environmental Management Division State Department of Health P.O. Box 3378 Honolulu, HI 96801-3378

Copies of the proposed draft permit, and other information are available for public inspection, Monday through Friday (excluding holidays) from 7:45 a.m. until 4:15 p.m., at the DOH office address shown above, and at the Hawaii District Health Offices located at 1582 Kamehameha Avenue, Hilo, HI 96720, and at the Keakealani Building, 79-1020 Haukapila Street, Room 109, Kealakekua, HI 96750. Copies may be bought. The draft permit and rationale are also available on the internet at http://www.state.hi.us/doh/eh/cwb/pubntcs/index.html. For more information or if you have special needs due to disability that will aid you in inspecting and/or commenting on the draft permit and related information, please contact Mr. Alec Wong, Supervisor of the Engineering Section, Clean Water Branch, at the above address or (808) 586-4309 (Voice) at least seven (7) days before the comment deadline. For those who use a TTY/TDD, please call through Verizon-Hawaii Telephone Relay Service, at 1-711 or (808) 643-8822.

All comments and requests received on time will be considered. If DOH determines that there is significant public interest, a public hearing may be held after at least 30 days of public notice.

If DOH's position is substantially unchanged after considering all timely written comments and all oral comments at any public hearing that may be held, then the DOH will issue the NPDES permit and this action will be final.

Please notify anyone you know who would be interested in this matter.

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